## STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF: SIX DEGREES, INC;	)	
AND LARRY M. BROWN	)	FILE NO. 0300932
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## **TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION**

TO RESPONDENTS:

Larry M. Brown 6361Patricia Matson, Il 60443

Six Degrees Inc. 16528 Park Avenue Markam, Illinois 60426

On information and belief, I, Jesse White, Secretary of State for the State of Illinois, through my designated representative, who has been fully advised in the premises by the staff of the Securities Department, Office of the Secretary of State, herein find:

- 1. That Larry M. Brown (hereinafter "Respondent") is a resident of Illinois and holds himself out as President of Six Degrees, Inc.
- 2. That Respondent through Six Degrees, Inc. raised money from investors, at least one of which was an Illinois resident, by telling these investors that he would pool their funds to day trade various securities or to purchase stock in a privately held company.
- 3. That the activities described in paragraphs 2 above constitutes the offer and sale of a security and therefore a security as those terms are defined in Sections 2.1, 2.5, and 2.5a of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act").
- 4. That Section 5 of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 or those offered or sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 shall be registered either by coordination or by qualification prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois.

- 5. That Respondent failed to file with the Secretary of State an application for registration of the securities described above as required by the Act and that as a result the security was not registered pursuant to Section 5 of the Act prior to its offer in the State of Illinois.
- 6. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it shall be a violation for any person to offer or sell any security except in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- 7. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it shall be a violation for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any application, report or document required to be filed under the provisions of the Act or any rule or regulation made by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Act.
- 8. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondent has violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act.
- 9. That the aforementioned findings are based upon credible evidence.
- 10. That Section 11.F (2) of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that the Secretary of State may temporarily prohibit the offer or sale of securities by any person, without notice and prior hearing, if the Secretary of State shall deem it necessary to prevent an imminent violation of the Act or to prevent losses to investors that will occur as a result of prior violations of the Act.
- 11. That the entry of this Temporary Order prohibiting Respondent, or its agents, affiliates, successors and employees, from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois is in the public interest and for the protection of the investing public and is consistent with the purposes intended by the provisions of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act, Respondents Larry M. Brown and Six Degrees, Inc., its officers and directors, agents, employees, affiliates, successors and assigns are **PROHIBITED** from offering or selling securities in or from this State until the further Order of the Secretary of State.

NOTICE is hereby given that Respondent may request a hearing on this matter by transmitting such request in writing to the Director, Illinois Securities Department, 69 W Washington Street, Suite 1220, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Such request must be made within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of entry of the Temporary Order of Prohibition. Upon receipt of a request for hearing, a hearing will be scheduled as soon as reasonably practicable. A request for hearing will not stop the effectiveness of this Temporary Order and will extend the effectiveness of this Temporary Order for sixty days from the date the hearing request is received by the Department.

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FAILURE BY ANY RESPONDENT TO REQUEST A HEARING WITHIN THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF THIS TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE AN ADMISSION OF ANY FACTS ALLEGED HEREIN AND SHALL CONSTITUTE SUFFICIENT BASIS TO MAKE THIS TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION FINAL.

Dated: This <u>L2</u> day of January 2006.

JESSE WHITE
Secretary of State
State of Illinois

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